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Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

It is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time, until September 16, 2006, be granted in which to respond to the Final Office Action dated May 16, 2006. The statutory fee of \$60.00 for the one-month extension is attached. Any deficiencies in the extension of time fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

Respectfully submitted,

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